

CLAIMS

- 1 1. A method of displaying data from a database onto a page, comprising the steps
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4 providing in said database a view having data therein;
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6 providing in said database a configuration document describing characteristics of
7 said page;
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9 providing in said database a form for reading said configuration document, for
10 retrieving data from said view, and for placing said data on said page as described
11 in said configuration document;
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13 forming a page address from the names of said database and said form; and
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15 selecting said page address to display said data on said page.
- 1 2. A method according to Claim 1, further comprising the step of providing a key
2 for locating the configuration documents.
- 1 3. A method according to Claim 2, further comprising the step of accessing said
2 page, and wherein the step of providing the key includes the step of providing the
3 key when the page is accessed.
- 1 4. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the view includes a multitude of data
2 sets and the configuration document includes a multitude of instruction sets for
3 displaying data on the page, and further including the steps of selecting one of the
4 data sets and one of the instruction sets, and displaying the selected data set on
5 said page in accordance with the selected instruction set.

1 5. A method according to Claim 4, wherein the data sets and the instruction sets
2 are listed on the form, and the step of selecting one of the data sets and one of the
3 instruction sets includes the step of identifying on the form the selected data sets
4 and the selected instruction sets.

1 6. A system for displaying data from a database onto a page, comprising:
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3 a database including a view having data therein; a configuration document
4 describing characteristics of said page; and a form for reading said configuration
5 document, for retrieving data from said view, and for placing said data on said
6 page as described in said configuration document;
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8 means for forming a page address from the names of said database and said form;
9 and
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11 means for selecting said page address to display said data on said page.

1 7. A system according to Claim 6, further comprising means for providing a key
2 for locating the configuration documents.

1 8. A system according to Claim 7, further comprising means for accessing said
2 page, and wherein the means for providing the key includes means for providing
3 the key when the page is accessed.

1 9. A system according to Claim 6, wherein the view includes a multitude of data
2 sets and the configuration document includes a multitude of instruction sets for
3 displaying data on the page, and further including means for selecting one of the
4 data sets and one of the instruction sets, and means for displaying the selected data
5 set on said page in accordance with the selected instruction set.

1 10. A system according to Claim 9, wherein the data sets and the instruction sets
2 are listed on the form, and the means for selecting one of the data sets and one of
3 the instruction sets includes the step of identifying on the form the selected data
4 sets and the selected instruction sets.

1 11. A program storage device readable by machine, tangibly embodying a
2 program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for
3 displaying data from a database onto a page, said method steps comprising:
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5 providing in said database a view having data therein;
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7 providing in said database a configuration document describing characteristics of
8 said page;
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10 providing in said database a form for reading said configuration document, for
11 retrieving data from said view, and for placing said data on said page as described
12 in said configuration document;
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14 forming a page address from the names of said database and said form; and
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16 selecting said page address to display said data on said page.

1 12. A program storage device according to Claim 11, further comprising the step
2 of providing a key for locating the configuration documents.

1 13. A program storage device according to Claim 12, further comprising the step
2 of accessing said page, and wherein the step of providing the key includes the step
3 of providing the key when the page is accessed.

1 14. A program storage device according to Claim 11, wherein the view includes a
2 multitude of data sets and the configuration document includes a multitude of
3 instruction sets for displaying data on the page, and further including the steps of
4 selecting one of the data sets and one of the instruction sets, and displaying the
5 selected data set on said page in accordance with the selected instruction set.

1 15. A program storage device according to Claim 14, wherein the data sets and the
2 instruction sets are listed on the form, and the step of selecting one of the data sets
3 and one of the instruction sets includes the step of identifying on the form the
4 selected data sets and the selected instruction sets.